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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Response Under 37 CFR § 1.116
Expedited Procedure
Group Art Unite: 1731

In re Application of:

KUNIO SEKIYA

Serial No. 09/806,020

Filed: March 23, 2001

For: POLLUTION CONTROL METHOD FOR
CYLINDRICAL DRIER USED IN
PAPER MACHINE

Case No.: 24555

Group Art Unit: 1731

Examiner: Mark Halpern

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2-24-03

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF AUGUST 8, 2002, ADVISORY
ACTION OF DECEMBER 3, 2002 AND A REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.114**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant responds to the Final Office Action mailed August 8, 2002 and the Advisory Action mailed December 03, 2002 (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 7). A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114, a Petition for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 (a) and the requisite fee for a three month extension of time for the period of reply accompany this response.

In the Advisory Action, the Examiner indicated that the request for reconsideration had been considered, but did not place the application in condition for allowance.